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ABSTRACT

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A security thread 2, for identification of security documents such as banknotes, has a magnetic layer 4 sandwiched between polymeric layers 6, 8, where one of the layers 8 is a piezoelectric layer such as PVDF. The piezoelectric layer 8 may be poled intermittently such the piezoelectric layer is coded. A particularly compact security thread with enhanced multiple coded features is thus provided.